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**Subject:** SB 407 Mammography examinations Neutral testimony

The Kansas Board of Healing Arts (KSBHA) appreciates the opportunity to provide neutral testimony on SB 407. The KSBHA presently licenses and regulates 13 health care professions. The mission of the KSBHA is to safeguard the public and strengthen the healing arts.

SB 407 would set requirements for the informational content of each mammography report sent to a patient. This act would also require KSBHA, in conjunction with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), to develop and make available to the public information concerning mammography testing.

KDHE currently has a breast and cervical cancer program that develops and distributes public information on breast cancer, mammography and mammography testing. Links to this, as well as any new information developed, can be posted on KSBHA's website at no additional cost to KSBHA.

If the bill's intent is for KSBHA to expand our current scope beyond licensure and regulation of certain health care professions and develop a campaign which distributes public information like KDHE, then KSBHA could incur significant additional costs. KSBHA would need more direction and information on what the intent of the bill's requirements would be in order to estimate these costs.

KSBHA seeks clarification of the bill's intent. Is the intent that KSBHA duplicate the efforts of KDHE? We are available to respond to any questions. Thank you for your consideration.